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SUBJECT Soviet Commercial and Naval Vessels  
Observed near Arkona

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1. On 17 November 1950 five sea miles east of Buoy Number Five, the turn-off to Arkona, Source observed the following Soviet traffic:

1820 hours: one destroyer with dimmed lights;  
1900 hours: three destroyers and four merchantmen.

Source estimates the merchantmen were vessels of between four and five thousand tons. All seven vessels proceeded with dimmed lights. The destroyers each had two stacks and, in silhouette, were similar to the German destroyer, Type 1934.

2. The merchantmen were in column and followed a northerly course. The destroyers accompanied the merchant ships in convoy formation, before and alongside.\*
3. It is rumored in shipping circles that the Soviets are manufacturing and assembling landing craft in Stettin, Swinemuende and some part of Ruegen Island. These craft are said to be of a type formerly produced by the Germans. Large scale landing exercises are also said to have taken place using these craft.
4. It is also rumored that 200 landing craft of the former German "Siebel Ferry" type were fitted out about three months ago in a North Manchurian harbor.\*\*
5. Warnemuende is mainly a fishing harbor with a newly-built ice plant and other modern fishery equipment. On 18 November, 70 fishing vessels were counted in the harbor.
6. The Sea Police are not in evidence in Sassnitz. Sea police are located in Parow near Stralsund. It is not yet known what vessels they have.

25X1A \* ~~Comment.~~ Presumably convoy exercise.

\*\* ~~Comment.~~ Another Source reports that it has been known for several months that landing craft of the Artillerie Marine Faehrprahm type were being built in former German ports in the Baltic. These AP's were said to be destined for service in East Asia.

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